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(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
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For: DEVICE AND SYSTEM FOR
ADJUSTING DELAY IN A DATA
PATH BASED ON COMPARISON OF
DATA FROM A LATCH AND DATA
FROM A REGISTER (AS AMENDED)

Examiner: James K. Trujillo

APPLICANTS' COMMENTS ON THE EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF
REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Dear Sir:

In the Notice of Allowability dated September 1, 2004, the Examiner stated reasons for allowance. Applicants note that the Examiner has made characterization of the disclosed references. Applicants do not necessarily agree with those characterizations.

Applicants agree in part with the stated reasons for allowance, insofar as the prior art does not teach or suggest the features noted by the Examiner. However, Applicants believe that other aspects of the claimed invention are also not taught or suggested by the prior art of record. Thus, the stated reasons for allowance should be interpreted as highlighting only some of the differences between prior art and the claimed invention. As usual, the scope of the claims should be based on the totality of the language of the allowed claims.

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